

REMARKS

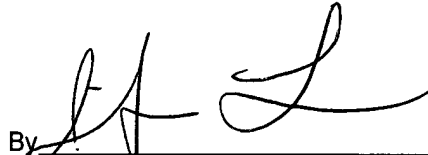
This Amendment and Response is submitted in response to the Restriction Requirement mailed 24 June 2002. Withdrawal of the rejection and reconsideration with an eye toward allowance is respectfully requested. Applicants elect Group I, claims 1, 36-60, characterized by the Examiner as drawn to an apparatus with probe array, for further prosecution on the merits. The election is made without traverse.

Claims 1, 36-60, and 64 are pending, claim 64 having been added herein and claims 61-63 having been cancelled herein without prejudice or disclaimer for presenting these claims in one or more related or divisional applications. Applicants note that claim 64 was previously pending as claim 56, however two claims numbered claim 56 had previously been pending. Applicants have cancelled one claim numbered 56 herein, and re-presented that claim newly numbered as new claim 64. For the Examiner's convenience, a clean copy of all pending claims is attached, entitled "**Appendix A: Pending Claims**".

CONCLUSION

Applicants submit the claims are in condition for allowance, and notification of such is respectfully requested. If after review, the Examiner feels there are further unresolved issues, the Examiner is invited to call the undersigned at (415) 781-1989. While Applicant believes that no further fees are due at this time, the Commissioner is authorized to charge any fees that may be due as a result of filing this amendment, including additional claims fees not already paid for, or other fees that have not been separately paid, to Deposit Account 50-2319 (Order No. 469008-00126 [A-70126-1/RMS/RMK]).

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